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SUBJECT: GOR PRONOUNCEMENT ON SHABA AND "FOREIGN INTERVENTION"

1. ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL PRESS BULETIN, RWANDAN COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MET IN LENGTHY SESSION JUNE 5 TO DISCUSS INTER ALIA LATEST EVENTS IN SHABA AND REACTION AMONG PARTICIPANTS AT RECENT FRANCOPHONE CONFERENCE IN PARIS. AFTER HEARING PRESENTATIONS BY PRESIDENT AND FONMIN, MINISTERS ISSUED FOLLOWING STATEMENT:

2. QTE RWANDAN GOVT ONCE AGAIN EXPRESSES ITS CONCERN OVER CAMPAIGN OF DESTABILIZATION IN AFRICA AND DANGER OF SEEING OUR CONTINENT DIVIDED INTO TWO CAMPS ALIGNED BEHIND EASTERN AND WESTERN BLOCS. RATHER THAN ALLOW SUCH A SITUATION TO DEVELOP, LEADING TO ANGRY CONDEM-NATIONS AMONG BROTHERS, AFRICAN STATES, GROUPED TOGETHER IN A STRENGTHENED OAU, SHOULD REFUSE A DIVISION WHICH CAN IN NO WAY PROFIT THEM.
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3. QTE RWANDAN GOVT DECLARES THAT A COUNTRY THAT IS ATTACKED HAS THE RIGHT AND DUTY TO DEFEND ITSELF WITH OR WITHOUT AID OF FREINDLY COUNTRIES.

4. QTE BUT MOST IMPORTANT TYPE OF INTRVENTION IS THAT WHICH SHOULD TAKE PLACE -- WITH THE SAME ENERGY AND SPEED --

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IN AREA OF DEVELOPMENT.

5. QTE IT IS IN THIS AREA OFAFRICA'S ECONOMIC PROGRESS
THAT GREAT POWERS SHOULD UNDERTAKE TO COMPETE WITH EACH
OTHER. REGRETTABLY, HOWEVER, COUNTRIES OF NORHTERN
HEMISPHERE, WHICH FIND DETENTE SO DESIRABLE WITHIN THAT
REGION AND WORK TO ACHIEVE IT, MEANWHILE EXPORT
DEVASTATING WAR INTO OUR OWN REGION. IT IS TIME THAT
DETENTE CROSSED THE MEDITERRANEAN AND THAT PEACE, NOT
WAR, WAS EXPORTED TO AFRICA. END QTE.
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